

Agency 302

**Home Care Quality Authority****Recommendation Summary**

Dollars in Thousands

	Annual FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
<b>2009-11 Expenditure Authority</b>	2.0	1,229		1,229
<b>Total Maintenance Level</b>				
Difference	(2.0)	(1,229)		(1,229)
Percent Change from Current Biennium	(100.0)%	(100.0)%		(100.0)%
<b>Total Proposed Budget</b>				
Difference	(2.0)	(1,229)		(1,229)
Percent Change from Current Biennium	(100.0)%	(100.0)%		(100.0)%
<b>Total Proposed Budget by Activity</b>				
Agency Administrative Costs	(.7)	(925)		(925)
Referral Registry System for Consumers and Individual Providers of Home Care	.4	754		754
Administration of Contract	.3	171		171
<b>Total Proposed Budget</b>				

**ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS****Agency Administrative Costs**

Agency administrative costs include board member expenses and the salaries/benefits of the executive director and administrative assistant who support the board and perform daily administrative functions.

**Referral Registry System for Consumers and Individual Providers of Home Care**

The Home Care Quality Authority is required by law to establish a referral registry of home care providers. In doing so, it must recruit, screen and train individual provider workers. Consumers of in-home services are also recruited and training opportunities are provided to improve their supervisory skills. The Authority may remove workers from the Referral Registry or deny them access. The Authority must offer appeal rights to any person removed from or denied access to the Referral Registry. The Authority contracts with various local agencies to provide Referral and Workforce Resource Center services throughout the state. The Department of Social and Health Services covers the remaining 50 percent of the funding for this activity with federal Medicaid matching funds.

**Administration of Contract**

The Home Care Quality Authority represents consumers of in-home services during the collective bargaining process and provides opportunities for consumer input. The Authority also implements various requirements of the negotiated contract with the Service Employees International Union. The Authority executes the workers' compensation third party administration of the program and implements a risk management program that including training and claims management. The Authority provides for a Safety Committee and a Joint Training and Education Committee for labor/management participation.

## **HUMAN SERVICES - OTHER**